

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION**

**BRIAN BARKLEY, *et al.*,**

**Plaintiffs,**

**v.**

**Civil Action 2:22-cv-4458  
Judge Algenon L. Marbley  
Magistrate Judge Elizabeth P. Deavers**

**NATIONWIDE AGRIBUSINESS  
INSURANCE COMPANY,**

**Defendant.**

**ORDER**

**WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS ORDER**, the parties are **DIRECTED** to file a **JOINT WRITTEN STATUS REPORT** advising the Court of the status, but not the substance, of their settlement negotiations. In the interim, the pending motion to compel (ECF No. 41) is **DENIED without prejudice to re-filing to the extent it may remain necessary**.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Date: March 27, 2025

/s/ Elizabeth A. Preston Deavers  
ELIZABETH A. PRESTON DEAVERS  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE